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PINE BLUFF, ARK., JULY 2, 1898

MAJ. MCCOY, voting for himself, would be the self-constituted nominee of the Democratic party for Sheriff.

Time is fleeting, and life is too short for the Central Committee to be ordering primary elections for Sheriff until Mr. Brewster and his partisans can come across one in which the returns will figure up to their liking.—*Press-Eagle*.

We beg to remark that the above paragraph does not apply to Mr. Brewster or his friends. Mr. Brewster never requested the second primary, but opposed it. It was Maj. McCoy, who, recognizing that Mr. Brewster had established his right to be declared the nominee of the May primary for Sheriff, that, as a last resort, advocated a second primary in hopes that he and his partisans might "come across" one in which the returns would figure up to their liking. This was accomplished by a union of the Phillips and McCoy forces in the Democratic County Convention on June 4. Mr. Brewster was perfectly satisfied with the May primary, and, we repeat, did not ask a second primary, but opposed it. The second primary was the result of the work of Mr. McCoy's partisans, and they cannot escape the responsibility therefor. Let them stand or fall by their own record.

Voted for Himself.

When Maj. McCoy insisted upon entering the ballot boxes of the city wards to ascertain how the people voted, probably neither he nor his attorney or representative ever anticipated that Maj. McCoy's ballot cast in the Fourth Ward, would be subjected to an investigation. But it was, and the discovery is most interesting, for it discloses the fact that Maj. H. A. McCoy, ex-county treasurer, ex-assessor and present circuit clerk, voted for Candidate H. A. McCoy for Sheriff. He is now claiming the nomination for Sheriff by one vote. This one vote was cast by himself for himself.

Mr. Edgar Brewster had the delicacy not to vote for himself for Sheriff, and only voted for Prosecuting Attorney. Candidate Phillips, we are informed, did not vote at all, being in the city on the day of the election and away from his polling place.

If the contention of the "McCoyites" is true that Maj. McCoy is the nominee for Sheriff by one vote, then Maj. McCoy is the nominee of himself and by himself.

Won't it be a nice state of public affairs when a candidate can nominate himself by his own vote?

Garcia vs. Gomez.

There is great difference in the conduct of the Cuban Generals, Garcia and Gomez and one that should be taken into consideration in the future.

When war was declared by the United States against Spain, Gen. Gomez wanted the independence of Cuba recognized and the American troops placed under his command.

This was not done, and since that time Gomez has been sulking in his hammock in the mountain fastness of Cuba. Not one word has been heard directly from him, neither has he been of any aid or assistance whatever to the Americans in their Cuban campaign.

On the other hand, Gen. Garcia received the declaration of the United States with enthusiasm, and immediately announced his readiness to co-operate with the American forces. He was of great service in assisting the American troops to land near Santiago, and promptly informed Gen. Shafter that he was ready to obey his commands. While

Strong, steady nerves
Are needed for success
Everywhere. Nerves
Depend simply, solely,
Upon the blood.
Pure, rich, nourishing
Blood feeds the nerves
And makes them strong.
The great nerve tonic is
Hood's Sarsaparilla,
Because it makes
The blood rich and
Pure, giving it power
To feed the nerves.
Hood's Sarsaparilla
Cures nervousness,
Dyspepsia, rheumatism,
Catarrh, scrofula,
And all forms of
Impure blood.

Gen. Garcia's troops have not done much of the fighting, they have been of great service as scouts and guides.

Unless Gen. Gomez stops his sulking, Gen. Garcia will prove himself a better patriot than the commander-in-chief of the insurgent army.

Fourteen of the twenty-four members of the Central Committee agreed with the editor of this paper that it was a legal ballot, and cast for McCoy, but Mr. J. W. Adams, editor of the *Graphic*, who held a proxy for G. L. Blackwell and reversed that committee's vote on a previous McCoy ballot, was not one of these.—*Press-Eagle*.

"The previous McCoy ballot" which the editor of the *Graphic* "reversed," alluded to above, was the Second Ward ballot with all the names for sheriff scratched by a perpendicular line running through the "Mc" in McCoy's name to the blank line below. This ballot was clearly no vote for sheriff, as was apparent to any one with "good eyes" and when examined in the light of day. It was not counted or returned for McCoy by the judges of election of the Second Ward, at which Maj. McCoy had a representative and all of whom voted to reject the ballot. And the *Graphic* is now prepared to show that the man who cast this ballot did not vote or intend to vote for Maj. McCoy. It was an irregular ballot, to which McCoy had no more right to have counted for him than hundreds of other ballots with McCoy's name scratched. But by its action, the committee counted at least this one ballot for McCoy which was not cast for him or intended for him. And yet McCoy claims that he is entitled to the nomination by one vote—a plurality secured on the face of the returns by voting for himself and counting a ballot with his name scratched and not intended for him.

Placing Responsibility.

Maj. McCoy, in his letter to the *Commercial* relative to inspecting the ballots, says it was a "gross wrong and an outrage upon decency," and then seeks to play the "innocent" and endeavors to lay the blame on Mr. Brewster in spite of the facts in the case.

He ignores the fact that the resolution authorizing such an investigation was requested by his attorney and that the wording of it was dictated by his attorney.

To use Major McCoy's language, after the original Crawford resolution passed—

"Mr. Grace, my attorney, rose and suggested that in view of the fact that a contest had been allowed it would become necessary to inspect the alleged illegal ballots in order to ascertain for whom they were cast and asked that permission be given for that purpose. Mr. Crawford, and Mr. S. M. Taylor, Brewster's attorney, instantly recognized the force of the suggestion and offered to amend the resolution to that effect. Mr. Taylor then took the original (Crawford's) resolution and wrote across its margin the amendment permitting the parties to inspect the poll-books and ballots."

But Mr. McCoy failed to state that Mr. Grace dictated the language of the amendment. It came about in this way:

After Mr. S. M. Taylor, Brewster's attorney, "recognized the force" of Mr. A. B. Grace's "suggestion" [McCoy's attorney.] it seemed that nothing Mr. Taylor could suggest would prove satisfactory to Major McCoy's attorney, whereupon Mr. Taylor impatiently asked "what do you want? dictate it to me and I will write it for you."

Then Mr. Grace proceeded to dic-

tate the amendment which Mr. Taylor "wrote across the margin."

Again, in trying to saddle on Mr. Brewster responsibility for the investigation, Maj. McCoy ignores the fact that on Thursday, June 23, another of his attorneys, J. M. Taylor by name, served notice on Mr. Brewster, through Constable Philpot, that he would "proceed to inspect the ballots from day to day, in the presence of County Clerk Flanders until such inspection is completed."

In pursuance of the above notice, Maj. McCoy's attorneys and representatives proceeded to inspect every city ward box that gave a plurality for Mr. Brewster. This is the reason set forth by Maj. McCoy in his open letter:

"I was informed that many white Republicans had voted in Vaugeois township and the First Ward, and had reason to believe that a large majority of them had voted for Brewster."

Yet in the face of these facts Mr. McCoy seeks to escape responsibility and put it on his opponent. But such duplicity and hypocrisy won't work. The facts are against him and known to all men. After Maj. McCoy had investigated Brewster boxes, it was but natural that Mr. Brewster should retaliate by investigating McCoy boxes, which he did. It was necessary in self defense.

But McCoy and his partisans can't escape responsibility for initiating the "inspection". The resolution authorizing the inspection was theirs, and the first ballot box inspected was done in pursuance of a legal notice served on Mr. Brewster by the constable of Vaugeois township.

Gentlemen, stand by your record! Don't try to escape the consequences of your own acts because they should prove to be unpopular. If you have erred, acknowledge it; if you have not erred, defend it, but don't add political cowardice to the unsavory record you have already made in the present campaign.

The Arkansas State Teachers' Association convened in Little Rock yesterday. The annual address was delivered by President J. H. Hinemon, of Pine Bluff.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

When the last dispatch left Cuba last night the understanding was that Gen. Shafter's army was well disposed for the attack on Santiago, though there may still be a couple of days' delay to permit the proper movement of the heavy siege guns. The reinforcements brought by the Yale landed safely at Baiquiri, and were placed on guard over the stores there, permitting all troops of the earlier expedition to move nearer the beleaguered city.

Gen. Shafter has debarked from his flagship, and has established headquarters at Jaragua. He has been reconnoitering. He had a conference with Garcia, who gave him valuable pointers on the Spanish layout.

American troops in Cuba complain that the Cubans are eating up all the grub.

The 9,000 reinforcements for Shafter are expected to get away from Tampa today or tomorrow.

Shafter will have 30,000 men when all troops arrive.

The Russian press has become more friendly to the Americans since the prospect of a British alliance has faded.

The American army carried clipper to cut the barbed wire defenses of the Spaniards in Cuba. It is learned that seventy-nine Spaniards were killed and as many more wounded in the fight with the rough riders.

It is doubted whether Cervera has removed the heavy guns from his warships to fortify the town of Santiago.

Camara offered a check to pay his toll through the Suez canal, but the commissioners demanded cash. It costs \$160,000. There is not enough coal at Port Said to supply his ships, most of it having been bought in by the American Consul. Camara has now overstayed his twenty-four hours limit, but claims further time to make repairs. The British will scarcely allow him to coal from their stations in the East.

The squadron to touch up the Spanish mainland can scarcely get away in less than ten days.

It is not yet credited at Washington that Camara will go through the Suez canal.

There 25,000 insurgents besieging Manila. The city is completely isolated. The Spaniards are all behind the walls.

Chili denies that the O'Higgins has been sold to Spain.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

A Full State Ticket Led by Auten Nominated.

LITTLE ROCK, June 30.—The Republican state convention met at Glenwood park yesterday and nominated a full state ticket, as follows:

Governor—H. F. Auten, of Pulaski county.

Secretary of State—H. H. Myers, of Monroe county.

Auditor of State—Andrew I. Roland, of Hot Springs county.

State Treasurer—A. L. Krewson, of Craighead county.

Land Commissioner—Geo. M. French, of Garland county.

Superintendent of Public Instruction—J. R. Williford, of Randolph county.

Attorney General—J. F. Henley, of Searcy county.

Associate Justice 6th Supreme Court—James Brizzolara, of Sebastian county.

Commissioner of Mines, Manufactures and Agriculture—Chas. W. Cox, of Faulkner county.

The platform reaffirms the St. Louis convention's declarations and pronounces for Hawaiian annexation; also touches upon other issues.

There is not a negro on the state ticket.

SMALL POX.

Twelve Cases Reported on J. F. Clemmons' Place at Swan Lake.

Mr. J. F. Clemmons this morning informed a *Graphic* reporter that 12 cases of small pox has broken out on his place at Swan Lake.

He says they are not of the highest type and will soon be convalescent.

All the cases are being nursed and the spread of the disease has been checked.

Married.

JACKSON-AVARETT—At the Baptist church Wednesday evening June 29, 1898, at 8:30 o'clock p. m. Mr. Dave Jackson to Miss Hattie Avarett, Rev. J. F. Carr officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Avarett, and graduated this year from the city high school, while the groom is the chief engineer at the oil mill.

The *Graphic* extends its congratulations and good wishes.

VOTED FOR MCCOY.

EDITOR *GRAPHIC*:
The *Press-Eagle*, in its issue of June 21st., charged that I voted for Brewster. This is absolutely false. If the McCoy people going through the ballot boxes and looking at the votes and ascertaining how people voted have discovered my ticket, they will find that I voted for H. A. McCoy for Sheriff. I am a Democrat and have been all my life, and the statement made by the *Press-Eagle* that "I am a Republican and voted for Brewster," is a lie.

GEORGE MAUPIN.

Notice for Publication—3447.
LAND OFFICE AT LITTLE ROCK, ARK.,
April 30, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made before county clerk of Jefferson County at Pine Bluff, Ark., on June 11, 1898, viz: Queeney Patterson, widow of Jefferson Patterson, deceased, 11th E. No. 1898, for the east half northeast quarter, northwest quarter northeast quarter and northeast quarter south, range 11 west.

She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Harrison Halliburton, John Hodo, Colburn Shelby, Bob Williams, all of Double Wells, Ark., and William G. Whipple, Register.

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You will have to blow your trumpet in a firm and steady way.
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And he plans his advertisements as he plans his well-bought stock,
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